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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

In reply to the Office Action dated February 25, 2003, Applicants submit a Response and Amendment. The due date for reply, with a three month extension of time is **August 25, 2003**. Please amend the above referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins at page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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**RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL FORM**

- Transmitted herewith is a Response and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2003.
- Extension of Time: The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply. Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time extending the period for response from May 25, 2003 to August 25, 2003, the fee which is **\$930.00** as set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.
- Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16):

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Remaining		Previously Paid	Extra	Rate	Total Fees
Total Claims	35	minus	34	1	\$18 each=	18.00
Independent Claims	5	minus	5	0	\$84 each=	0.00
First presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					\$280.00	0.00
Sub-total =						18.00
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity						0.00
Total Fee =						18.00

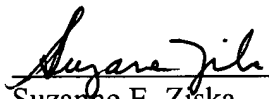
- Additional Papers Submitted:
  - Copy of date-stamped post card showing receipt of Aug. 10, 2000 IDS/1449 by PTO (Attachment A)
  - Copy of Canadian document 2,075,366 (Attachment B)

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- (iii) Clean Copy of PTO 1449 previously submitted on August 10, 2000 (Attachment C)
  - (iv) Copy of NCBI Web Site print-out showing sequence having accession No. E09420 (Attachment D)
  - (v) Statement Accompanying Sequence Listing
  - (vi) Diskette with electronic copy of Sequence Listing
5. Fee Payment: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **\$948.00** to Deposit Account No. 50-0310 for payment of the three-month extension of time fee (\$930.00) and the additional total claims fee (\$18.00).
6. Constructive Petition: **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 0-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **constructive petition for extension of time** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Dated: **August 25, 2003**  
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